

## **Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Programs**

(Home Visiting)

### Frequently Asked Questions

*(Note: The following information will be periodically updated as we continue to ensure compliance with the federal grant that provides the funds for this project).*

1. **Question:** How were the communities selected for the Home Visiting Programs?

**Answer:** In 2010, the Department of Public Health (DPH) conducted a Statewide Needs Assessment of Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Home Visiting Services (Needs Assessment). The Needs Assessment categorized towns by the level (very high, high, moderate, or low) of need for services. Those towns with the highest need and the least available services were targeted through the federal grant funding. The Needs Assessment can be accessed by visiting the DPH website ([http://www.ct.gov/dph/lib/dph/needs\\_assessment\\_complete\\_091510.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/dph/lib/dph/needs_assessment_complete_091510.pdf)).

2. **Question:** Will any more towns receive funding?

**Answer:** Yes. The DPH is working with HRSA to finalize the plan for the State of Connecticut, which must be submitted by July 2012. The plan includes implementation or enhancement of models that have been rigorously evaluated and are evidence-based as per HRSA's criteria.